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TO : Office of General Counsel

DATE: MAY 19 1953

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FROM : Acting Comptroller

SUBJECT: Delegations of Authority by the Director of Central Intelligence

1. There is attached hereto a copy of ER-1-3908 effective 1 December 1950 signed by Walter B. Smith, then Director of Central Intelligence, wherein he delegated certain specific statutory authorities granted to Heads of Government Agencies by law.

2. Inasmuch as Mr. Dulles is now Director, it appears appropriate that he execute a similar document for delegation of statutory authority. However, since the previous document attached hereto is two and one-half years old, the question is raised as to whether its contents are currently appropriate, e.g., are any of the items obsolete or are there any new authorities granted to the Heads of Government Agencies not included among the items listed.

3. Accordingly, it is requested that the attached document be reviewed to ascertain that the powers delegated are both current and complete for reissue by Mr. Dulles. This office will coordinate the levels of delegations with the office heads concerned and bring up to date official titles and organizational jurisdiction for recommendation to the DCI.

4. In view of the immediate need for these delegations it is requested that your reply be expedited.

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